

NAME LENZ Richard Charles
(last) (first) (middle)
PRESENT ADDRESS 1960 E. 82nd ST.

BIOGRAPHICAL MATERIAL

BIRTHPLACE Sullivan, Ashland County, O. DATE MAY 29, 1932

EDUCATION Sullivan Grade School, 6 yrs; Homer High School
6 yrs Cooper School of Art 1 1/2 yrs

SPECIAL COMMENTS Farm Bureau Safty Poster Contest, For
Ohio, 1949, 1st. & in 1950, 2nd. Also various 1st & 2nd prizes from
the Medina County Fair for the years 1946 through 1949
Awards and Honors (including others than those received in Cleveland)

AFFILIATIONS (artists' societies, etc.)

Where Represented in Permanent Collections (Among private collections include only large and important)

EXHIBITIONS (list by years)

Large Annual Shows

One Man

Special (or Foreign)

BIBLIOGRAPHY

I lived in Sullivan, where my father was Principal
of the school, until 1941 when we moved to Homerville
5 miles this side, where father took charge of Homer High, &
Homer & Albion Grade Schools. I took all art courses available

& exhibited at open house the last 4 years it was in school, belonged to the school band, orchestra, glee club, & chorus, also the county band, orchestra, etc. - chg my Jr & Sr. yrs. clued in the sextet, octet & throughout high school was in various quartets singing in different years 1st tenor, 2nd tenor & 1st base. Led the Jr band. Composed several songs, one of which "Life, Death, Reincarnation of a Moslem" was performed at an open house. In 1949 & 50 was in 2 Gilbert & Sullivan Operettas, H.M.S. Pinafore & The Sorcerer, playing Mr. Daly. in the latter. Played Clarinet in the German Band. Was the leading character in the Jr. Class play & since I refused to play the leading part in the Sr. play, got a character part. Was either President or Vice-Pres all my years in High School, manager of the baseball team in my Sr. yr. Entered the County Fair Competition every year and always got at least 2 prizes either 2nds or 1sts for my pencil sketches, photographs & paintings of flowers. In Sr. year entered County 1st play contest, recieved favorable mention from the judges. Was toastmaster & head of decorating dept. for Jr. Sr. Banquet in 1949 & a speaker in 1950. graduated in 50. & have been attending Cooper School of Art ever since.

I'm sorry, I have no reproductions of my work to send to you, but even if I were to have some made the only works I have on hand are school works since everything else is stored with my parents, who recently moved to Delaware where father is head of the Liberty Union School Consolidation, the Olontanga School, or my grandparents.

Yours truly
Rick Lens